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E.O. 11652:

1. I AM PLEASED TO ADVISE YOU THAT I HAVE SELECTED MISSION DIRECTOR ALBERT DISDIER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE INAUGURAL AID ADMINISTRATOR'S DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR WHICH I AM PERSONALLY SPONSORING. THE SEMINAR WILL RUN FROM SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH THROUGH SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST, AT RESTON, VIRGINIA.

PERSONAL FOR AMB ANDERSON FROM AID ADMINISTRATOR PARKER

2. THESE NEW AND SPECIAL SEMINARS, EACH OF WHICH IS LIMITED TO 15 CAREFULLY SELECTED SENIOR OFFICERS OF AID, ARE DESIGNED TO PROVIDE A FORUM FOR THE INTER-CHANGE OF EXPERIENCES AND IDEAS AMONG THESE OFFICIALS AS WELL AS A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY FOR THEM TO STUDY TOGETHER THE MOST CRITICAL ISSUES FACING ALL OF US INVOLVED IN THE DESIGN AND EXECUTION OF DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS. ALTHOUGH SPECIAL EMPHASIS WILL BE GIVEN AID'S OWN PROGRAMS AND THEIR UNCLASSIFIED

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ROLE IN FURTHERANCE OF U.S. FOREIGN POLICY, SEMINAR

DELIBERATIONS WILL ALSO STRESS THE INTER-RELATIONSHIPS OF U.S. ASSISTANCE EFFORTS TO THE PROGRAMS OF OTHER DONORS AND HOST COUNTRIES, AND TO DEVELOPMENT ISSUES TRANSCENDING CONCESSIONAL AID PROGRAMS.

3. THE SELECTION OF MR. DISDIER TO BE ONE OF 9 SENIOR AID

EXECUTIVES NOW SERVING OVERSEAS IS A SIGNAL HONOR AND OPPORTUNITY, I BELIEVE, REFLECTING AS IT DOES RECOGNITION NOT ONLY OF HIS PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCE BUT ALSO OF THE RESPONSIBILITIES HE BEARS IN MEETING THE DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGES FACING US NOW AND IN FUTURE IN MOROCCO. HIS PERSONAL PARTICIPATION IN THIS INITIAL SEMINAR SHOULD BENEFIT HIM GREATLY IN TERMS OF HIS CAREER AND SHOULD ENHANCE HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO YOUR EFFORTS, AS AMBASSADOR, TO THE ADVANCEMENT OF U.S. INTERESTS IN MOROCCO.

4. IN SELECTING MR. DISDIER, I AM AWARE THAT HIS PARTICIPATION WILL AGAIN REQUIRE HIS ABSENCE FROM POST. GIVEN THE UNIQUE NATURE OF THIS SPECIAL CONFERENCE, ITS PURPOSES AND ITS POTENTIAL FOR IMPROVING THE QUALITY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF OUR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS ABROAD, I AM CONFIDENT YOU SHARE MY PLEASURE OVER HIS SELECTION. ROBINSON

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